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SUBJECT: PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROBLEM IN ITC ANNOUNCEMENTS ON TV IMPORTS

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1. POST SESS POTENTIAL FOR HARMFUL IMPACT ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS ENVIRONMENT HERE IN SITUATION FOLLOWING RECENT ITC ANNOUNCEMENTS OF INVESTIGATION OF COLOR-TV SET DUMPING BY JAPANESE MANUFACTURERS. PRESS HAS ALREADY REACTED ADVERSELY, SPECULATING ON POSSIBLE GENERAL U.S. TRENDS TOWARD PROTECTIONISM AND IMPORT RESTRICTIONS (E.E., 4/7 MAINICHI). GENERAL SENSITIVITIES AND IRRITABILITY HAVE BEEN EXACERBATED BY PPOLITICAL UNCERTAINTIES DERIVING FROM LOCKHEED CASE AND BY CHARGES OF CIA INVOLVEMENT IN JAPANESE POLITICS, RESULTING IN HEIGHTENED TENDENCY TOWARD PROVOCATIVE MEDIA TREATMENT OF U.S. ACTIONS.

2. WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE EARLY AGENCY POLICY GUIDANCE, AND WIRELESS FILE TREATMENT DEVELOPING BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND PERSPECTIVES SPECIFIC TO THIS ISSUE.

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